ABSTRACT

Glass is provided so as to have high visible transmission and/or fairly clear or neutral color. In certain example embodiments of making glass according to examples of the invention, the glass batch may include a base glass (e.g., soda lime silica base glass) and, in addition, by weight percentage:

total iron (expressed as Fe_2O_3): 0.01 to 0.30 % erbium oxide (e.g., Er_2O_3): 0.01 to 0.30 % cerium oxide (e.g., CeO_2): 0.005 to 0.30 %.

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Optionally, neodymium oxide (e.g., Nd₂O₃) may also be provided in the glass in certain example embodiments. In other embodiments, the cerium oxide may be replaced with or supplemented by NaNO₃ or some other nitrate(s) as an oxidizer.